

6. The weights of bags of popcorn are normally distributed with mean of 200 g and 60% of all bags weighing between 190 g and 210 g.

$$X \sim N(200, \sigma^2)$$

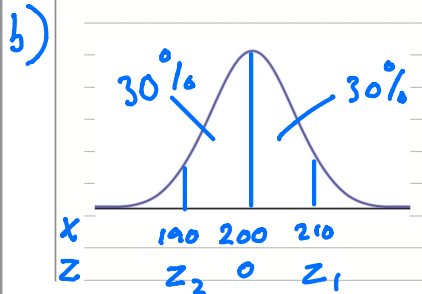
(a) Write down the median weight of the bags of popcorn. (1)

(b) Find the standard deviation of the weights of the bags of popcorn. (5)

A shopkeeper finds that customers will complain if their bag of popcorn weighs less than 180 g.

(c) Find the probability that a customer will complain. (3)

a) Normal symmetrical so median same as mean = 200g



$$z_1 = \Phi^{-1}(0.8) = 0.8416$$

$$z_2 = \Phi^{-1}(0.2) = -0.8416$$

$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$$

$$\sigma z = x - \mu \quad \sigma = \frac{x - \mu}{z}$$

$$\sigma = \frac{210 - 200}{0.8416} = 11.88$$

Could also have used $x = 190$ with $z_2 = -0.8416$

c) $X \sim N(200, 11.88^2)$

$$P(X < 180) = 0.0461$$



7. A packing plant fills bags with cement. The weight X kg of a bag of cement can be modelled by a normal distribution with mean 50 kg and standard deviation 2 kg.

(a) Find $P(X > 53)$.

$$X \sim N(50, 2^2) \quad (3)$$

(b) Find the weight that is exceeded by 99% of the bags.

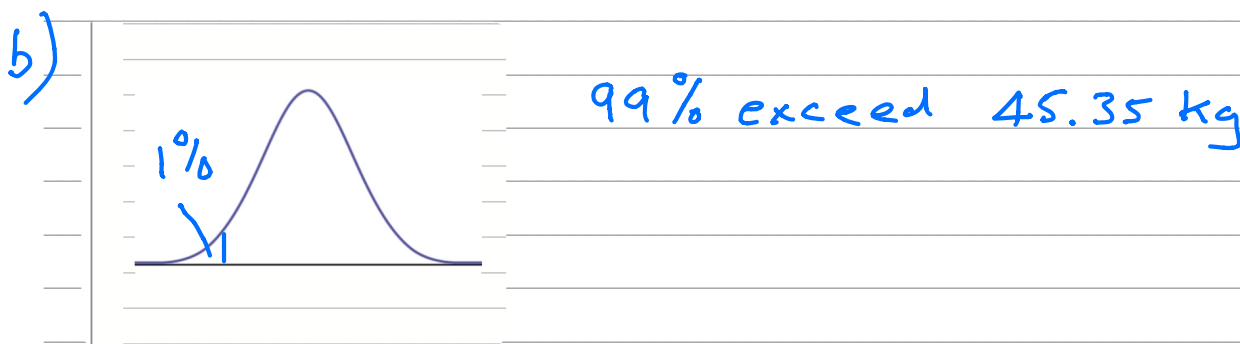
(5)

Three bags are selected at random.

(c) Find the probability that two weigh more than 53 kg and one weighs less than 53 kg.

(4)

a) $P(X > 53) = 0.0668$



c) $P(X > 53) = 0.0668$ $P(X < 53) = 0.9332$

$P(2 \text{ more and } 1 \text{ less})$

$= 3 \times 0.0668^2 \times 0.9332 = 0.0125$

Multiplied by 3 because 3 ways it could

happen MML MLM LMM

M = More L = Less



6. The random variable X has a normal distribution with mean 30 and standard deviation 5.

(a) Find $P(X < 39)$.

$$X \sim N(30, 5^2) \quad (2)$$

(b) Find the value of d such that $P(X < d) = 0.1151$

(4)

(c) Find the value of e such that $P(X > e) = 0.1151$

(2)

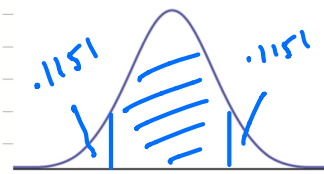
(d) Find $P(d < X < e)$.

(2)

a) $P(X < 39) = 0.964$

b) $d = 24$

c) $e = 36$



d) $P(d < X < e) = 1 - 0.1151 - 0.1151$
 $= 0.7698$



8. The lifetimes of bulbs used in a lamp are normally distributed. A company X sells bulbs with a mean lifetime of 850 hours and a standard deviation of 50 hours.

$X \sim N(850, 50^2)$

(a) Find the probability of a bulb, from company X , having a lifetime of less than 830 hours. (3)

(b) In a box of 500 bulbs, from company X , find the expected number having a lifetime of less than 830 hours. (2)

A rival company Y sells bulbs with a mean lifetime of 860 hours and 20% of these bulbs have a lifetime of less than 818 hours.

(c) Find the standard deviation of the lifetimes of bulbs from company Y . (4)

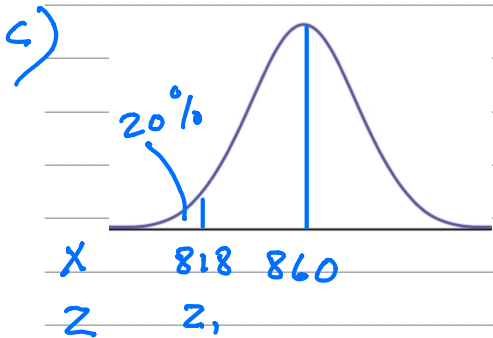
Both companies sell the bulbs for the same price.

(d) State which company you would recommend. Give reasons for your answer. (2)

a) $P(X < 830) = 0.3446$

b) $X \sim B(500, 0.3446)$

$E(x) = np = 500 \times 0.3446 = 172.3$



$z_1 = \Phi^{-1}(0.2) = -0.8416$

$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} \quad \sigma = \frac{x - \mu}{z}$

$\sigma = \frac{818 - 860}{-0.8416} = 49.90$

d) Recommend Company Y . Their bulbs have a greater mean life and standard deviations are almost the same.



7. The heights of a population of women are normally distributed with mean μ cm and standard deviation σ cm. It is known that 30% of the women are taller than 172 cm and 5% are shorter than 154 cm.

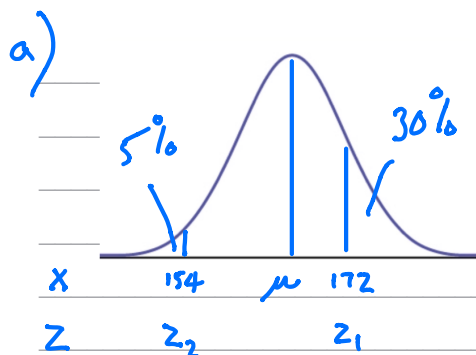
(a) Sketch a diagram to show the distribution of heights represented by this information. (3)

(b) Show that $\mu = 154 + 1.6449\sigma$. (3)

(c) Obtain a second equation and hence find the value of μ and the value of σ . (4)

A woman is chosen at random from the population.

(d) Find the probability that she is taller than 160 cm. (3)



b) $z_1 = \Phi^{-1}(0.7) = 0.5244$

$z_2 = \Phi^{-1}(0.05) = -1.6449$

$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$ $\sigma z = x - \mu$

$\mu = x - \sigma z$

$\mu = 154 + 1.6449\sigma$ ①

Also $\mu = 172 - 0.5244\sigma$ ②

① - ② $0 = -18 + 2.1693\sigma$ $\Rightarrow \sigma = 8.298$

$\mu = 172 - 0.5244 \times 8.298 = 167.6$

$\mu = 167.6$ $\sigma = 8.298$

d) $X \sim N(167.6, 8.298^2)$ $P(X > 160)$

$= 0.820$



7. The distances travelled to work, D km, by the employees at a large company are normally distributed with $D \sim N(30, 8^2)$.

(a) Find the probability that a randomly selected employee has a journey to work of more than 20 km. (3)

(b) Find the upper quartile, Q_3 , of D . (3)

(c) Write down the lower quartile, Q_1 , of D . (1)

An outlier is defined as any value of D such that $D < h$ or $D > k$ where

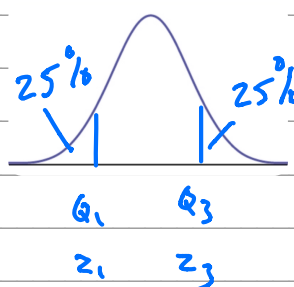
$$h = Q_1 - 1.5 \times (Q_3 - Q_1) \quad \text{and} \quad k = Q_3 + 1.5 \times (Q_3 - Q_1)$$

(d) Find the value of h and the value of k . (2)

An employee is selected at random.

(e) Find the probability that the distance travelled to work by this employee is an outlier. (3)

a) $D \sim N(30, 8^2)$ $P(D > 20) = 0.8944$ (3)

b)  $z_3 = \Phi^{-1}(0.75) = 0.6749$

$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} \quad x = \sigma z + \mu$$

$$Q_3 = 8 \times 0.6749 + 30$$

$Q_3 = 35.40$

c) $Q_1 = 30 - (35.40 - 30) = 24.60$

d) $Q_3 - Q_1 = 10.80$

$h = 24.60 - 1.5 \times 10.80 = 8.4$

$k = 35.40 + 1.5 \times 10.80 = 51.6$



Question 7 continued

$$D \sim N(30, 8^2)$$

$$e) P(D > 51.6) = 3.467 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$P(D < 8.4) = 3.467 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$P(\text{outlier}) = 3.467 \times 10^{-3} + 3.467 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$= 6.934 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$= 0.007 \quad \text{to 1 s.f.}$$

Q7

(Total 12 marks)

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